

# PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER. INC WINTER 2022 Newsletter

A 501(c)3 Non-profit California Corporation TAX I.D #51-0187577 providing for homeless pregnant adult women since 1989

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Our mission and vision is to "provide a safe, healthy, loving, residential environment with supportive services for homeless pregnant adult women and their children"

From the Executive Director's Desk...

Dear Supporters and Friends of PLS,

The beginning of a New Year generally sets into motion all the possibilities of what plans are to be drawn up as a strategy for accomplishing tasks. One also reflects on what has happened over the past year that seemed to fly by so quickly. 2021 was a year of adjusting to how best serve our women and children with the modifications we set into motion from the beginning of the virus lockdown. Although we never had to close our door to offering assistance for the pregnant woman, we did have to admit fewer women at a time for safety reasons. The Thrift Shop opened back up for the 2021 year on a Monday through Friday schedule, due to fewer volunteers able to return. We welcome any of you interested in volunteering at the shop for a few hours a week or every other week, to sort, price, hang, and meet new friends.

2021 allowed us to have our sold-out golf event in September, and to welcome back the community and supporters for our Precious Christmas Open House in December. It was wonderful at both events to see so many of you face to face, and we THANK YOU for joining us.

As we move forward this 2022, we have so far provided service for 33 years on Reagan Street, and the Thrift Shop will celebrate 30 years in April! Look for some special events at the shop, and if you are not receiving the "sale" event announcements in your inbox, visit our website and sign up by clicking on the Thrift Shop link and entering your email.

We are in full force to provide our Annual Gala "Under the Stars" on March 5th at The Reef in Long Beach. It will be a wonderful evening of food, entertainment, resident stories, auction, and YOU!! Please join us as it has been an Affair of the Heart with all of you.

Our residents are all adjusting to changes and are doing well. They each are preparing their goals and objectives on what they hope to accomplish while at Precious Life. Frequently they worry about failing as they may not have ever been told or encouraged to dream and believe they can work to make their

dream a reality, unlike when they are surrounded by all of YOU!! We share with them how our supporters are family they have not met but that want the best for them and their children. A beautiful saying that was shared with me, I share with them and You: "Small steps in the right direction can turn out to be the biggest step of your life." There is nothing more rewarding than encouraging our women as they prepare for the birth of their child and embark upon the parenting avenue they have chosen. As they seek to be the parent they may never have experienced in their lives, so many of you have walked with them through birth, delivery, and education to tell them, "YOU CAN DO THIS." All of our residents, whether they just walked in the door or live in our permanent housing units, are working, saving, preparing to take "the biggest step of their life." Your ongoing support has allowed us to assist and guide them through their uncertainties toward dreams they never thought possible.

So as we embark upon dreams with our residents, we also dream some dreams for Precious Life. This year we begin the strategic planning and development process for our new Reagan Street Project. We ask for your support as we seek to develop and provide what will enhance our programs for those we serve. You have walked with us these past 33 years and encouraged and supported us to keep moving toward offering opportunities to give our residents and their children a loving and safe environment in which they can thrive. THANK YOU!! Our dreams have become reality, because of YOU!

With Blessings and Gratitude,

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Theresa E. Murphy Executive Director

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

"Affair of the Heart♥" Gala: March 5, 2022 @ The Reef in Long Beach

"A Taste of Precious Life" Santa Maria BBQ, Wine & Craft Beer Tasting: June 5, 2022 @ St. Isidore's Plaza

"Tee Off for the Heart♥": Sept. 21, 2022 @ El Dorado Park

## Birth/Birthday/Anniversary Celebrations

Birthday ~ Marita Caruso

Alyssa Endresen

Birthday ~ Domenica Long

Rose Marie Angiuli

80th Birthday ~ Patrick F. Collins

Cletus Bodensteiner

90th Birthday ~ Nancy Lopez

Santos, Donna & Army Hernandez Precious Life BOD, Staff & Volunteers

95th Birthday ~ Kate Portner

Precious Life BOD & Staff

100th Birthday ~ Julia Bulla

Precious Life BOD & Staff

**Christmas** ~ **Precious** Life

Tina Shaw

Christmas ~ George & Georgie Kelly

Robert & Silvana Eagan

Christmas ~ Richard Resurreccion

Kathryn Resurreccion

Grateful & Happy Anniversary To Us ~

John & Jody Hersh

In Honor ~ Sister Jon Keltus ~ Sisters of the Social Service

Martin & Margo Oberacker

In Honor ~ Father Tran & St. Hedwig Staff

Henry & Donna Eagan

Thanksgiving for my family & great-grand babies

Theresa Sherrin

#### **2021 Program Statistics**

	Women	Bed	Babies/Child	Babies/Child	
	Served	Nights	Served	Bed Nights	
Em.	46	472	3	13	
Trans	. 20	1028	8	514	
SPE	1	2_	1	2	
		1502		529	

Babies born in 2021 ~ 8

Permanent Housing 10 Bed Nights 2,978 (5 Woman & 5 Children)

All Programs total bed nights 5,009 Average cost per night \$80.00

### 2021 Source of Revenue

<b>Private Contributions</b>	\$	367,973
●Annual Pledge	\$	59,365
Foundations / Corporations	\$	91,500
Grant ~ OC Family Commission	\$	54,060
Children Care	\$	697
Thrift and Gift Shop	\$	348,249
Fund-Raising Events	\$	109,109
Program Fees / Permanent Housing	\$	48,259
<b>Expansion Rental Property</b>	\$	14,500
Total Income	\$1	,093,712

# 2021 Operational Expense

#### Operations \$ 228,450

(Emergency, Transitional, SPE Programs. Utilities, residents' needs, supplies, food, Counseling, Newsletter, etc.)

<ul><li>Child Care</li></ul>	\$	9,689
●Thrift Shop	\$	56,675
Fund-Raising Events		37,910
<ul><li>◆Annual Pledge</li></ul>	\$	1,694
Permanent Housing		43,646
<b>Expansion Rental Property</b>	\$	13,941
(Includes Property Taxes Insurance & Mortgage)		

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Wages-Staff \$ 403,101

3 F/T, 3 P/T employees. (25% of 1 F/T staff is reimbursed by grant funds.) and 1 P/T paid intern. Includes monthly stipends for 2 Live-in House Managers.

Wages - Child Care \$ 28,402

1 F/T and 4 P/T employees, (Salaries reimbursed by grant funds).

Wages - Thrift Shop \$ 82,995

(3 Hourly staff, 5 days a week)

All Employees ~ State and Federal taxes. \$ 68,818

Withholdings, and Workers Comp.

Total Expenses \$ 975,321



# INTRODUCING Lily Acosta Infant Care Teacher

Welcome to the PLS Team!

#### RESIDENT'S CORNER

# Precious Babies Born in 2021





Ava Aileen

# Children Currently in Residence





# **Annual Resident Christmas Gathering**







One of Kim's elves, Jaque, created aprons for the entire staff. What a blessing. A sad note as we go to print Jaque unexpectedly died after a two-day illness. Please pray for her and her family.

Residents and staff shared a fun filled evening hosted by Kim San Jose and friends. She put together a delicious meal, dessert and gifts for all. Residents had a good time playing games and singing Christmas Karaoke. She is such a blessing and we are so thankful for her continued support for our women and children .





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Our records "to date" indicate those of you who have already made a pledge; your generosity blesses us in a very direct manner. We continue to receive designated envelopes daily. If you are not listed, it does not mean you are forgotten, just not listed yet. Thank You.

### Pledges are used for development and expansion

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# "A PRECIOUS CHRISTMAS" 2021 HIGHLIGHTS





Our PLS Executive Director and BOD: Theresa, Cynthia, Gabi, Roger, Jon, Cathy, Wendy and Sean.







PLS staff Theresa, Maddy, Martha, Lily, Wendy, Denise and Kathy joining in celebration.



Los Alamitos Police brought blankets to PLS for women and babies and toured the shelter.



BOD Roger and Jon Udabe with Santa.



Thank you Los Alamitos Youth Center for gifting and delivering beautiful Christmas Trees.



Thanks Santa for taking time out of your busy schedule to visit with our guests.



Thank you to Board of Director Cathy Hughes and Pat Nohalty for putting together adorable "take a chance" table of items for guests to take home to put under their tree.





Julia, Dusty and Gigi



With Gratitude and Appreciation....

to all those who helped with decorating, setup, clean-up, baking, and volunteering. THANK YOU! We could not do this without your help and you are truly a blessing.

# Thank you to all the businesses, groups and individuals who blessed the shelter during the holiday season:

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Airaby Family

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